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VIRGINIA MAN SENTENCED TO PRISON ON FEDERAL CHARGES

BECKLEY, W.Va. —Chance Evans, 31, of Bluefield, Virginia was sentenced to 24 months in prison yesterday by United States District Judge Irene C. Berger for using a communication facility to facilitate the commission of a drug felony. Evans previously pleaded guilty in November 2010. The defendant admitted that on April 29, 2010, he used a telephone to arrange the distribution of five and a half oxycodone 80-milligram pills to an individual located in Wolfe, Mercer County, West Virginia. He further admitted that he used a telephone to set up the distribution of oxycodone pills on two different occasions in May 2010.

The West Virginia State Police Bureau of Criminal Investigations and the Southern Regional Drug and Violent Crime Task Force conducted the investigation. Assistant United States Attorney John File handled the prosecution.

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